DELEGATES MEETING HIGHLIGHTS • June 15, 2022 • VALENCIA POINTE

HOST COMMUNITY WELCOME – VALENCIA POINTE
• Steve Wolfberg, 1st Alternate Delegate, on behalf of HOA President Art Gelven, welcomed everyone to Valencia Pointe.

SPONSOR GREETING – BETH RAPPAPORT
• Introduced representatives from the Breakfast Sponsors - Top Cut Lawn Services - Steve Miller, Decorators Unlimited – Bob Martin, and Branch Managers Tree & Landscape Services - Jordan Jacobson and Steve Alter. They were happy to sponsor the breakfast and support COBWRA.

ELECTED OFFICIALS’ REPORTS
REPRESENTATIVE KELLY SKIDMORE
• Emphasized the importance of water in Florida.

COMMISSIONER DAVE KERNER
• Reported that the BCC has started budget negotiations for the County.
• Suggested voters pay attention to candidates running for office who will impact our quality of life.

SCHOOL BOARD VICE-CHAIR KAREN BRILL
• The new middle school near Sunset Palms Elementary has broken ground.
• An open forum will be held in July with the principal of the new middle school.
• Noted that COBWRA President, Steve Wallace is on the school district boundary committee.

FIRST RESPONDERS’ REPORTS
PBSO CAPTAIN SHAWN EASTMAN
• PBSO is partnering with businesses for summer camps.
• To address traffic issues, speed surveys are being held and citations are being written.
• A shredding event is being held on July 15, behind District 6 at the Park Vista High School bus loop.

DISTRICT 4 BATTALION CHIEF BILL STANSBURY
• New fire stations are forthcoming.
• Contact him for any questions.

COBWRA SCHOLARSHIPS
• Two graduating seniors of Park Vista High School, who were vetted by the Education Committee and approved by the Board, received $1000 COBWRA scholarships.
  o Rachel Natalus will be attending FAU for nursing and Amaya Pratt will attend Howard University, majoring in finance.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – STEVE WALLACE ON BEHALF OF MICHAEL J. BURKE
• Third-grade students at District-operated schools outpaced the state average in English Language Arts Florida Standards Assessments. 64% of the elementary schools increased proficiency.
• Nearly 180,000 people across 38 countries watched the live-streamed graduations of almost 12,500 students.
• School Food Service will offer free meals during the summer at various schools and libraries for children 18 and younger.
• On Aug. 2, teachers will engage in professional learning geared toward helping them thrive during the first 60 days in the classroom.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT – DAGMAR BRAHS, CHAIR
• The 11.84-acre Villages of Windsor Project at the SE corner of Hypoluxo and Lyons Roads was presented. The multi-family apartment project requires a change from the currently approved CLF facility designation of Low Residential 2 units/acre to High Residential 8 units/acre and additional units based on Workforce Housing Bonuses and Transfer Development Rights, resulting in 16 units/acre. The complex would include 4 buildings, one of which would be 4-stories high.
• The Growth Management Committee and Board disagree with the unprecedented hyperdensity and building height in the Ag Reserve.
• Voting on the motion to recommend denial of the project to the County was extended until 7PM. The motion was passed by the delegates.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS – STEVE WALLACE
• Thanked Beth Rappaport and Victoria Morton, Co-Chairs of the 40th Anniversary Luncheon, for their extraordinary efforts in organizing the celebration.
• Upcoming Events: Coffee with a Cop – August 4 at the Chick-Fil-A in the Canyons shopping center. Primary Candidates Forum Evening Meeting – August 4, at Valencia Shores, details to be announced.

Featured Presentation: “Meet the Judicial Candidates Forum” – Moderated by Steve Wallace
Two judicial races are being determined in the August 23rd Primary Election. Candidates running for those offices answered questions related to their qualifications and spoke of their backgrounds. Participants included Alcolya St. Juste and Caryn Siperstein for Circuit Court Judge Group 23, and Karen Velez and Judge Paul Damico for County Court Judge Group 9.

Thank you, Breakfast Sponsors!
Thank you, 40th Anniversary Gold Level Sponsors!

Next Meeting: August 17, 2022 • 9:30 AM • In-person at The Grove
(Note: There are no meetings in July)
Highlights by Cheryl Dodes and Debbie Murphy